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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: METHOD FOR AMPLIFYING AT LEAST ONE SPECIFIC NUCLEOTIDE
SEQUENCE, AND PRIMERS USED

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Please cancel claims 1-12 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter
contained therein.

Please add new claims 13-24 as follows: